

interest and enterprise in the work. It is not yet as well organized as the old Keystone State but then one could hardly expect it to be, but if the State will draw from us a few more such men as brethren Gnagey, Kimmel and Mackey it will soon catch up to us.

The extension of the courtesies of the conference and the loving, tender hospitality of the dear people of Ankneytown are greatly appreciated by your humble servant. I could somehow feel the genial welcome of Brother and Sister Leedy in my very being. May the dear Lord bless the dear people for the large development of the Christian grace of hospitality.

I learned that the Dayton, Ohio, brethren have paid an option on a nice church property in that city and are hopeful of securing the money to pay for it from near by sources. The old adage that "Competition is the life of trade," appears to repeat itself in Dayton church life. I trust some careful, level-headed, whole-hearted pastor can be secured for the brethren there so that the church will soon become a source of strength to the church at large.

JACOB C. CASSEL.

From The "Land of Goshen" to The Hill Country of Pennsylvania

After a short correspondence with the brethren at New Enterprise, Pa., I left Goshen, Ind., on May 4th, to visit the old Keystone State that I had left thirty years ago; having spent ten years of my boy-hood days in south eastern Pennsylvania.

I remember reading a great deal about "Morrisons Cove," when I was but a boy, through the German Baptist paper, but did not know that I was coming into it until I arrived at Martinsburg in the Cove.

This is a very beautiful country, extending north and south between Tussey Mountains on the east and the Dunning Mountains on the west. This cove is about twenty-five miles in length and will average about eight miles in width. It is a lime-stone country mostly, and a very good farming country, appearing quite hilly and rocky to a man from the western prairies, yet well improved and in a high state of cultivation. The southern part of this cove is in Bedford Co., and the northern end extends into Blair Co. My trip through Ohio was made in the night; and early in the morning the brakeman awakened me by calling out Pittsburg, and I looked out upon hills and mountains for the first for thirty years.

The ride from Pittsburg to Altoona, a distance of 117 miles, is mostly through the mountains passing through several tunnels. The scenery is indeed grand and awe-inspiring, and we were made to exclaim "Great and marvelous are thy works, O Thou Creator of these wonders." And so we look out upon this beautiful scenery, here in a deep gulch through which flows, over massive piles of rocks, a beautiful mountain stream and as we go whirling along the mountain we look down a hundred feet or more into it,

looking over tree tops below us, as the trees were not in leaf yet. On the other side are the Majestic Mountains towering toward the sky with piles of massive rocks and the tall pines looking out over the chestnut and oak. The timber here on the mountains is of a much better quality than we western people expect to see; it is tall and very thrifty. And here we are whirling around short curves, and suddenly dart into a tunnel, and then we get the benefit of the lamps which were kept burning from Pittsburg to Altoona; tho the sun was shining all the while, the lamps are kept burning on account of the tunnels thru which we pass. We passed around the famous Horse Shoe Bend in the Alleghenies; inside the bend are the reservoirs from which Altoona receives its water supply.

Arriving at Martinsburgh we were met by Brother S. B. Furry and informed that we were to preach that night at Fredericksburg. The next morning we drove south to New Enterprise and preached morning and evening, and on Thursday we were conveyed about seven miles to Fairview Church where we held three services, and on Sunday met the brethren at Liberty and held three meetings for them. We now had reached and preached for the four congregations composing this charge; and on Sunday, May 20, we met representatives from the different congregations at the morning service at New Enterprise and we accepted a call from them to serve as their pastor for one year.

These four congregations together have a membership of more than two hundred and neat church house at each place. It is very hard work as we preach at two points each Sabbath, and our work necessitates going to the other side of the mountains each Sunday; one Sunday through a mountain gap, and the next over the top of the mountain, but we are able for it as far as physical health is concerned, as God wonderfully manifested His power thru Christ in healing us; tho we had been weak physically all our life, and diseased, but now enjoy perfect health and are being kept in perfect health; (Brother P. J. Brown to the contrary notwithstanding.)

Brother Smith who is now in New Jersey did a good work here at Liberty and Fairview, as he built a church at each place and we are told did a great deal of the work himself. Brother I. D. Bowman held a very successful tent meeting here at Fairview which added much strength to the church.

We held our first communion service in Pennsylvania with the New Enterprise Church last evening, June 3. It was a delightful service. A few of the members were sick, with this exception nearly every member of the congregation communed; this we admired and praise God for such a coming into union communion.

We are becoming acquainted with the people and find them to be zealous and anxious for the advancement of God's cause. Our work has formerly been in the city in the past and we find it quite a change for us.

The outlook is very promising at present. These congregations have suffered a spiritual decline during the last year and the loss of some members as a result, but we hope to regain them.

We shall not move until after harvest as we cannot get a suitable house at present. We are hoping that our people will build a parsonage. They *can* if they *will*. Hope they will.

We have been studying this country in its length and breadth, height and depth, as we crawled upon the highest rock that we could reach, and went down a coal mine shaft two hundred and fifty feet. If our Editor will give us space in the B. E., or ANGELUS we will give a minute description of some of the things interesting to western readers as we saw them in the mines, caves, mountain gap and mountain tops.

J. R. KELLER.

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Louisville, Ohio

Since our last, we have been across the mountains to the east. First of all we tarried over night with Brother Darling at Pittsburg, Pa. From the attendance and interest at the prayer meeting one would judge that the people were awake. They are erecting a new church, parsonage, pastor's study, all under one roof. Brother Darling is doing a good work.

Next we halted at Johnstown where we were kindly cared for in the pastor's home.

Here, too, the members are loyal to pastor, church and Christ. A new parsonage is being built. Here we again boarded the train for Washington, D. C., and after a day of sight seeing in mountain and plain, we were landed in the comfortable home of our Brother Lyon. The Sunday services were much enjoyed by all. The people there are earnest, spiritual and much encouraged with their new church home. They have a very neat church and well located. The mission is in a healthy, prosperous condition under the wise care of Brother Lyon. I think we can support no more worthy work. Members are united and pressing slowly yet surely forward.

We spent a very enjoyable week with the brethren in Philadelphia. Enjoyed the hospitality of Brother Cassel and family. The people here are noted for their zeal in Bible study, and as a result they are alive to their true mission as a church. Much missionary work is being done from there. No church will realize what is the mission of the church until they become students of God's word and experience a deep conviction of truth and of the mission of Jesus to the world. Our Lord was a missionary. To be His disciple is to believe in, and support missions. When will enough of our members awake to this truth, to make our church a power in this world. There is no reason why the College should not be endowed, the publishing house well supported, missions at home kept in flourishing condition and a